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ACIDIC PROTEIN FOOD OR  
DRINK AND MATERIAL THEREOF  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In the interest of compact prosecution, please amend the present application as follows: